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JOEL SPIVAK: Yesterday a Senate, United States Senate Governmental Relations Subcommittee was holding hearings up on Capitol Hill on the Freedom of Information Act, an act which I'm sure all of you have heard about, but I venture to say not too many of us really know what it is or what it does. And it occurred to me that since I have been here, on occasion we have had members of the intelligence community call up here and voice some very grave concerns about the Freedom of Information Act, as it relates to the work of our covert intelligence operations, not only domestically, but internationally. And even a representative of the Justice Department yesterday, who testified up there on Capitol Hill regarding national security and related issues.

So we thought we'd just find out a little bit about why some of the people in the intelligence business are concerned about the Freedom of Information Act.

John Warner is the former chief counsel -- the English translation, head lawyer -- for the CIA. Not to be confused with Senator John Warner.

How long were you -- how long did you hold that position, Mr. Warner?

JOHN WARNER: About four or five years.

SPIVAK: Some people in the intelligence community have said on this radio station, from time to time, that they have some grave reservations about the Freedom of Information Act. Can you give us a little background, Mr. Warner, on what some of those concerns might be?

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